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USDA's Fremont-Winema National Forests (Includes Bly, Chemult, Chiloquin, Klamath, Lakeview, Paisley, and Silver Lake Ranger Districts) USDI's Bureau of Land Management, Lakeview District (Includes Klamath Falls and Lakeview Resource Areas)

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## **Fire Precaution Level Lowered Public Use Restrictions Lifted**

Klamath Falls, Oregon – Due to cooler temperatures and rain received over the past weekend, the Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) on most of the Fremont-Winema National Forests and Lakeview District Bureau of Land Management lands has been lowered to IFPL II effective Sunday August 22, 2004. The adjective rating has been reduced from extreme to high.

The exception to this level is within the Cascade Fire Danger Rating Area where the IFPL has been lowered to Level I. The Cascade Fire Danger Rating Areas is those lands administered by the BLM and Forest Service north of Highway 66, the Klamath Ranger District, and the Chemult Ranger District west of Highway 97.

In addition the public use restrictions banning open campfires outside designated areas, off-road vehicle travel and smoking only while stopped in a cleared areas or while in an enclosed vehicle have been lifted.

Under IFPL II firewood cutters may not operate a power saw between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. and must remain at the cutting site for one hour after saws have been shut off to watch for fire starts.

Under IFPL I, firewood cutters may operate power saws all day.

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